

Key Stage One

Autumn Term

Year One

At the beginning of September we had an exciting start to the year as we started our first Year One topic of 'Sensational Seasons'. We loved exploring our outdoor areas and gathering natural objects to bring back into the classroom. We also enjoyed our Entry Point where we became artists for the day, completing lots of Seasons art work involving printing, collaging and weaving.

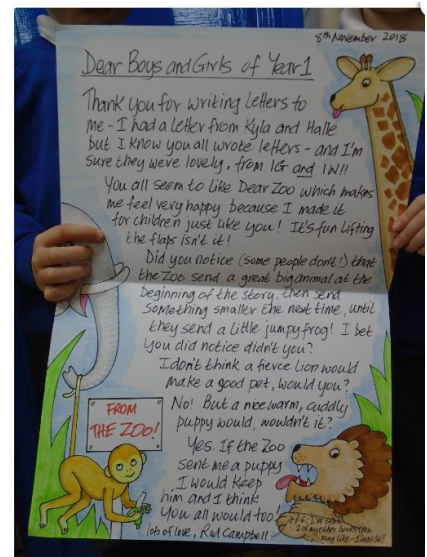


As well as an exciting Entry Point we also had an excellent Exit Point as we took a trip to Royden Park. The Rangers taught us all about the different seasons and we played some games on the field. We then explored the woods and searched for different coloured leaves and twigs to make a picture.



In our literacy lessons we have been becoming actors and authors as we have been retelling and adding actions to the story of Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell. We have written our own version of the story including our own characters and some exciting story language. We enjoyed his story so much that we decided to write a letter to him so we took a walk to the local post box to post it. We were overjoyed to receive a handwritten letter back along with two brand new books.

We have now started our new 'Toys' topic with a fabulous toy parade and are enjoying working on creating our own toy collage in the style of Chris Lange.



Year 2

We have had a wonderful start to Year 2 and have been working extremely hard from day one.

Our first Year 2 topic was Transport where for our Entry Point we brought in our favourite toy vehicle from home to share with our friends and we talked about why we chose it.



Then we set about becoming engineers as we designed and made our own moving vehicles. We started by researching possible road vehicles we could make, this research involved searching on the internet and taking a trip outside to perform a traffic survey. Then we drew our designs and made a list of materials we would need.

After that we had a DT day to make our vehicles. During the day we got the opportunity to practise lots of skills such as cutting, joining materials in different ways and painting. We really enjoyed making our vehicles.

As part of our Transport topic we looked at a famous local man called Chris Boardman. We were very impressed to hear he had won an Olympic gold medal and we were really interested to find out more about him and the bikes he designs so we sent him an email.

We were thrilled when he responded and answered all our questions.



Our new topic Fire Fire started with two rather energetic Entry Points. First we learned about the events of the 5th of November. We thought of actions to show the main events then put this together into a dance sequence. Then we became actors when we learned about the Great Fire of London. We acted out some of the events from the fire and performed freeze frames to show how the people might have acted or felt.



As part of our Remembrance Day we talked about the foods that would have been available during World War 1 and we made Trench Stew. We used the same ingredients

that people would have used during the war. Lots of us thought it was delicious! We also looked at the poppy and discussed why this is a symbol of the war then we made our own poppy pictures.

